FISCAL NOTE HB 1092 - SB 1523

March 27, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes compensation to a passenger of a motor vehicle or watercraft for personal injury or death unless the passenger knew the operator of such vehicle to be legally intoxicated.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$87,200 FY07-08/Criminal Injuries
Compensation Fund
\$74,100 FY08-09/Criminal Injuries
Compensation Fund
\$34,900 FY09-10 & succeeding years/
Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund

Increase Federal Expenditures - \$13,100 FY 08-09 \$52,300 FY 09-10 & succeeding years

Assumptions:

- According to the Comptroller of the Treasury, ten claims per year are denied under current law regarding passengers in a motor vehicle or watercraft driven by intoxicated drivers.
- The average cost per claim from the Criminal Injury Compensation Fund is \$8,718. The increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$87,180 per year (\$8,718 x 10 claims).
- Claims will be partially funded by the federal government, beginning in FY08-09. Due to the different beginning date of the federal fiscal year, the federal share will be 25 percent of 60 percent of the total in FY08-09 (25% x 60% x \$87,200 = \$13,080). In FY09-10 and succeeding years, the federal share will be 60 percent of the total (60% x \$87,200 = \$52,320).

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director